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re Application of:

Applicant(s): LAYCOCK

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Examiner: OJINI, E.

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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents United States Patent and Trademark Office Post Office Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Now comes Applicant, by counsel, and in response to the Office Action dated 15 May 2003, respectfully submits the following reply thereto. A Petition for a One-Month Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) is respectfully submitted herewith, together with an Authorization to charge deposit account in the amount of \$110 for payment of the fee therefor.

The undersigned hereby certifies that a true and accurate copy of the within "Reply to Restriction Requirement" is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service in an envelope addressed to the Honorable Commissioner for Patents United States Patent and Trademark

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Office, Post Office Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, for first-class mail delivery, postage pre-paid, on this the <u>11th</u> day of <u>July</u>, 2003.

ELECTION OF INVENTION FOR EXAMINATION

At page 2 of the instant Office Action, the Examiner alleges that the above-referenced application contains claims drawn to 2 distinct inventions: I) claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 11, which the Examiner claims are drawn to a grinding machine; and, II) claims 3, 4, 7, 10, and 12, which the Examiner alleges are drawn to a method of simultaneously grinding cylindrical and radial faces of a workpiece. The Examiner further alleges that the method of claims 3, 4, 7, 10, and 12 can be practiced by another materially different apparatus that does not require a computer controlled means.

Applicant elects Invention I for examination and respectfully submits that said claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, and 11 are in condition for allowance. However, should the Examiner believe unresolved issues remain, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to contact Applicant's undersigned counsel, who can be reached at the telephone numbers listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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